

**MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FORM**

NR Eligible: yes ☐
no ☐

Property Name: Mt. Carmel Methodist Church Inventory Number: HA-1065
Address: 2234 Old Emmorton Road Historic district: ☐ yes ☒ no
City: Bel Air Zip Code: 21014 County: Harford
USGS Quadrangle(s): Edgewood
Property Owner: Mt. Carmel Methodist Church Tax Account ID Number: 1301066412
Tax Map Parcel Number(s): 165 Tax Map Number: 56
Project: MD 924: Plumtree Road to Holly Wreath Drive Agency: FHWA/SHA
Agency Prepared By: Maryland State Highway Administration
Preparer's Name: Anne E. Bruder Date Prepared: 12/23/2003
Documentation is presented in: Project Review and Compliance Files
Preparer's Eligibility Recommendation: ☒ Eligibility recommended ☐ Eligibility not recommended
Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D Considerations: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G
Complete if the property is a contributing or non-contributing resource to a NR district/property:
Name of the District/Property: _____
Inventory Number: _____ Eligible: ☐ yes ☐ no Listed: ☐ yes ☐ no
Site visit by MHT Staff ☐ yes ☒ no Name: _____ Date: _____

Description of Property and Justification: *(Please attach map and photo)*

Mt. Carmel Church is eligible for inclusion in the NRHP under Criterion C, as an excellent example of mid-nineteenth century rural religious architecture. Christopher Weeks describes it as "country Greek revival" ("An Architectural History of Harford County") (1996), page 307.

It is a three bay wide by three bay long, front gable roof building. Its exterior is clad in coursed stones and its roof is of slate. There is one modern addition, a small, one-bay gable roof addition which appears to be a utility shed. A cemetery surrounds the church on three sides. The NRHP boundary for the building is confined to the current tax parcel boundary as found on Harford County Tax Map 56, Parcel 165. An MIHP form was prepared in 1976 which thoroughly discusses the property.

Research did not identify either events or people important to the history of the United States and the Mt. Carmel Methodist Church is therefore not eligible under Criteria A or B. No research was conducted under Criterion D.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST REVIEW

Eligibility recommended ☒ Eligibility not recommended ☐

Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D Considerations: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

MHT Comments:

Ann J. Anderson ✓
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services

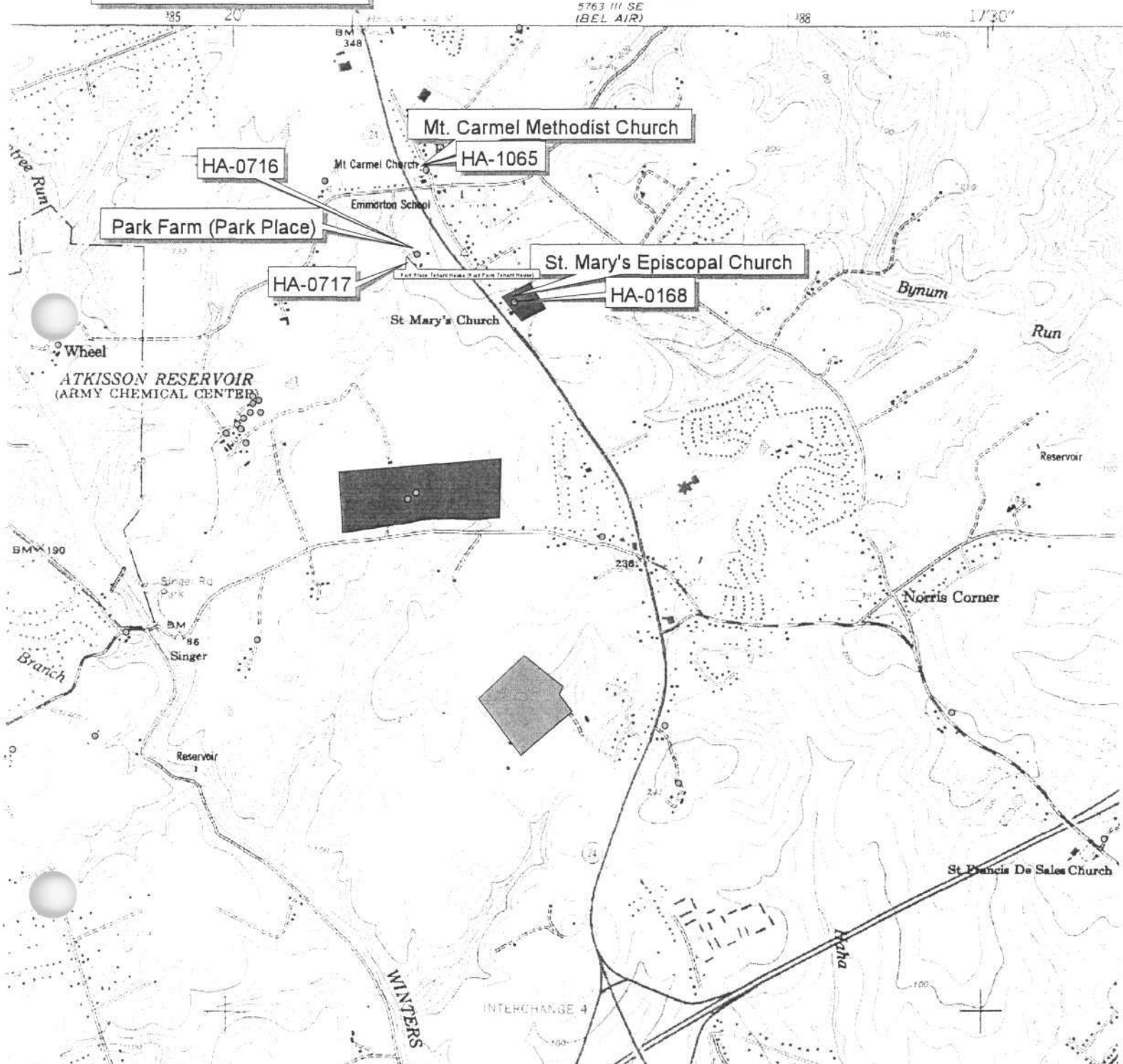
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Reviewer, National Register Program

2/19/04
Date

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NA-1065

MT. CARMEL METHODIST CHURCH

HARFORD CO. MD

ABRUZZO

12/2003

ART-2611 <No. 1>001
849 1717 N 11111-27 104430

MD SHPS

SOUTH & EAST FACILDES

1/3



NA-1065

MT. CLEVELAND CHURCH

HARFORD Co. MD.

NR 3 W 42

12/2003

ART-2611 <No. 3>003
849 1217 1111-5 24 (044)0

ND SHAPE.

NORTON & WEST FAIRIES

2/3



NR-1015

MT. CARMEL METHODIST CHURCH

WATFORD CO., MD

ABRUZZO

12/2003

ART-2611

<No. 2>882

B49 1717

11 11-1-1-41 (0145)

W. L. S. R. D.

CHURCH BELIEVERS AND SOUTH
SIDE OF CHURCH

3/5

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC Mt. Carmel Methodist Church

AND/OR COMMON

Mt. Carmel Methodist Church

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Old Emmorton and Wheel Road

1st

CITY, TOWN

Emmorton Road

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Harford

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT
☒ BUILDING(S)
☐ STRUCTURE
☐ SITE
☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC
☒ PRIVATE

☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS
☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☐ OCCUPIED
☒ UNOCCUPIED
☐ WORK IN PROGRESS
ACCESSIBLE
☐ YES: RESTRICTED
☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED
☐ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE ☐ MUSEUM
☐ COMMERCIAL ☐ PARK
☐ EDUCATIONAL ☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE
☐ ENTERTAINMENT ☐ RELIGIOUS
☐ GOVERNMENT ☐ SCIENTIFIC
☐ INDUSTRIAL ☐ TRANSPORTATION
☐ MILITARY ☐ OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Bel Air Methodist Church

Telephone #: 838-5181

STREET & NUMBER

21 Linwood Avenue

MD

21014

CITY, TOWN

Bel Air

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTIONCOURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Harford County Courthouse

Liber #: WHD 16

Folio #: 362

STREET & NUMBER

40 South Main Street

CITY, TOWN

Bel Air

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Mount Carmel Methodist Church is located on the corner of Old Emmorton and Wheel Road. Its back faces Emmorton Road and the property line borders on Emmorton Road (MD Rt. 24). The church faces east.

This vernacular, Greek revival church is a one story, coursed rubble stone structure. It is three bays long. The peaked, gable front roof is covered with slate and has box cornices and wide, moulded eaves. A narrow, brick chimney flue projects through the slate roof on the north side. On the south side, an ornate, brick, open arched chimney is present.

The only entrance to this church is located on the east gable end. The deep set, double hung doors have moulded panels. A transom above the doors is four lights over four. Three rubble stone steps with slate treads lead up to the door. The door is flanked by two windows. Each window is 9 lights over 9 and has stone lintels. A small, semi-circular, brick arch is located above the door near the peak of the roof. It is filled with cement. A corner stone on the east wall reads: Mt. Carmel

M.P. Church
1865

Windows on both north and south sides are 9 lights over nine with stone lintals. There are no windows on the west facade. This has an S-shaped iron brace.

There is a fenced in area north of the church. The fence is of wrought iron and is very ornate. Two iron mourning doves flank the gate to this family grave plot.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES 1865

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The property on which this small, stone church stands was donated to its trustees on November 11, 1865 by Elijah and Frances (Fannie) Magness. The trustees of the newly formed Mount Carmel Methodist Protestant Church were James K. Nichols, Joshua Wilson, Thomas Littig, Alexander Norris, Joshua France, J. Marion Proctor, and Joshua W. Bateman. The donation consisted of 130 square perches of land.

The church was founded to fulfill the needs of Emmorton's Methodist community. The closest Methodist Church at that time had been the Bel Air Methodist Church located in the town of Bel Air, some 3½ miles away. During the winter months one can imagine that many Emmorton communicants were unable to travel that distance in treacherous weather.

The church was constructed soon after the transfer of part of Mr. Magness' farm to its trustees, and Mr. Magness himself assisted in its construction. The church served the Emmorton community for almost one hundred years, until, in 1954, its members voted to merge with the Bel Air Methodist Church. This Church, founded before 1789, had been rebuilt several times, and in 1943, after the union of the Methodist Protestant and the Methodist Episcopal Churches was accomplished, extensive repairs were made to the Bel Air Methodist Church. This Church served the Bel Air Circuit of which the Mount Carmel Congregation was a part.

A new church with the greater facilities needed for a growing congregation, was completed in May of 1968. This new building is located approximately 1½ miles away from the Mount Carmel Methodist Protestant Church. An annual service continues to be held in the Mount Carmel Church.

Among those families interred in this churches' cemetery are the Coles, Livezey's, Hughes', McAbee's, Demoss', Wilson's, and Magness'. A fenced in grave plot is that of the Pieper family.

The architecture of the church is a vernacular rendition of the Greek Revival style, popular several years before its actual construction. In conjunction with the Greek Revival style, its focus is shifted from the long side of the structure to its gabled end. It has strongly vertical windows and simple clean lines.

This Church is dangerously close to several of the proposed alternates for the improvement of Maryland Route 24 and its historical value should be taken into consideration before any plans can be executed.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

ORGANIZATION

DATE

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

INVENTORY NO. 1065

ELECTION DISTRICT _____

HA-1065

DATE: 3/11/74

TAX MAP NO. _____

REMODELING: Drastic, moderate, minor

PARCEL NO. _____

NAME OF PROPERTY: Mt. Carmel Methodist ChurchLOCATION OF PROPERTY: Old Emmerton Road AND WHEEL ~~WHEEL~~DIRECTION DWELLING FACES: east

NAME OF OWNER: _____

ADDRESS: _____

STORIES: 1[☒] 2[] 3[] 4[] 5[] 6[] BAYS: 1[] 2[] 3[] 4[] 5[]WINGS, ADDITIONS: 3x2 6[] 7[] []

WALL CONSTRUCTION:

- [] FRAME: Bevel, clapboard, weatherboard, wood shingles, board & batten(type?)
[] BRICK: Bond type- common, English, Flemish. Sketch variants.
[☒] STONE: Bond type- rubble, ashlar (random or regular), quoins-plain, rusticated
[] LOG

WALL FEATURES: BELT COURSE, PILASTERS, OTHERS NONEFOUNDATIONS: HIGH, LOW, BRICK, STONEWATER TABLE: NONE PLAIN, BEVELED, MOULDED BRICKWINDOWS, TRIM, SHUTTERS: 1/1[] 2/2[] 6/6[] 9/6[] 9/9[☒] other[]
pegged[] nailed[] wide[] narrow[]
original[] replaced[]ENTRANCE, DOORS: LOCATION: CENTER, EAST INSET — ABOVE DOOR WAY IN MIDDLE OFHARDWARE: original[] replaced[]
FAN LIGHT, TRANSOM, SIDE LIGHTS, PLAIN4/4

Double Door

GABLE IS A
SEMI CIRCULAR ARCH-
like thing. center
is cemented.CORNICE, BARGE, EAVES:
original[] replaced[]ROOF: GABLE FRONT, GABLE FLANK, HIP, MANSARD, FLAT, DORMERSMATERIAL: wood shingles, slate, tin, asphalt original[☒] and replaced[☒]

NONE PORCHES: SHAPE OF ROOF - shed[] hip[] gable[]

CHIMNEYS: NUMBER 2 BRICK[] STONE[] CORBELED[] original[☒] replaced[]
LOCATION: north side of buildingARCHES:
chimney top has been replaced or built up.
South chimney has arched top.COMMENTS: slate over outside stone steps (3)
only 1 door to church, rear of church has no windows
either: "5" rod on rear end

grave yard contains stones with dates from around
1830 on.

Rachel Wilson + large Wilson family plot

Cole Demoss

Livzey

Hughes

McAbee

fenced in area (wrought iron)

with peepers family tomb stones.

gate very ornate.

INVENTORY NO. 1065 ELECTION DISTRICT _____
 DATE: 3-12-76 TAX MAP NO. _____
 REMODELING: Drastic, moderate, minor ☒ PARCEL NO. _____
 NAME OF PROPERTY: MT. CARMEL METHODIST CHURCH
 LOCATION OF PROPERTY: OLD EMMORTON RD. + WHEELWRIGHT
 DIRECTION DWELLING FACES: EAST
 NAME OF OWNER: _____
 ADDRESS: _____

STORIES: 1[☒] 2[] 3[] 4[] 5[] 6[] BAYS: 1[] 2[] 3[] 4[] 5[]
 WINGS, ADDITIONS: NONE 6[] 7[] []
3Y2

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 [] LOG COURSED

WALL FEATURES: BELT COURSE, PILASTERS, OTHERS NONE
 FOUNDATIONS: HIGH, LOW, BRICK, STONE NOTCHES CUT IN FOUNDATION OF BUILDING ON SIDES
 WATER TABLE: NONE, PLAIN, BEVELED, MOULDED BRICK

WINDOWS, TRIM, SHUTTERS: 1/1[] 2/2[] 6/6[] 9/6[] 9/9[☒] other[]
 pegged[] nailed[] wide[] narrow[]
 original[] replaced[] LONG STONE LINTELS OVER WINDOWS


ENTRANCE, DOORS: LOCATION: EAST SIDE, INSET DOUBLE DOORS
 HARDWARE: original[☒] replaced[]
 FAN LIGHT, TRANSOM, SIDE LIGHTS, PLAIN

CORNICE, BARGE, EAVES:
 original[] replaced[☒] PLAIN

ROOF: GABLE FRONT, GABLE FLANK, HIP, MANSARD, FLAT, DORMERS
 MATERIAL: wood shingles, slate, tin, asphalt original[☒] replaced[]

PORCHES: SHAPE OF ROOF - shed[] hip[] gable[] UNCOVERED SLATE STEPS

CHIMNEYS: NUMBER 2 BRICK[☒] STONE[] CORBELED[] original[☒] replaced[]
 LOCATION: NORTH SIDE TOP ADDED, SOUTH SIDE, HIGHER TOP

ARCHES:  ATTIC-LEVEL OVER DOORWAY MIGHT HAVE BEEN WINDOWS

COMMENTS:

5" ORNAMENTS ON WEST SIDE

WILSON FAMILY PLOT - RACHEL
PIETER PLOT - PENCED

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MEADE
OLK
HUGHES
DEMOSS

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

Edgewood Quadrangle

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UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
CORPS OF ENGINEERS





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Emmorton, MD
Susan M. Deeney 6/76
Northeast



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Emmorton, MD
Susan M. Deeney, 6/76
Southwest



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